

Work Task B5: Bubbling Ponds Fish Hatchery

Partners:	Arizona Game and Fish Department (AGFD)
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Purpose:	Develop, maintain, and operate a native fish rearing facility to contribute to the LCR MSCP.
Conservation Measures:	RASU3 and RASU4
Long-term Goal(s):	Maintain Bubbling Ponds Fish Hatchery as an integral part of the Fish Augmentation Program, providing between 5,000 and 15,000 razorback suckers annually.
Location:	Bubbling Ponds Fish Hatchery, Sedona, Arizona
FY2006 Estimate:	\$200,000 for fish rearing and facility improvements (\$150,000 to AGFD for facility improvements; \$25,000 for Reclamation staff salary for rearing and tagging; \$25,000 for feed and supplies). Note: \$75,000 is available to AGFD for fish rearing under prior obligation from Reclamation.
FY2007 Estimate:	\$200,000. Same as previous year.
FY2008 Estimate:	\$200,000. Same as previous year.
Project Description:	FY2006 funding will support rearing of 10,000 razorback suckers; replace aging water delivery lines; install flow-measuring devices; and refine design and specifications for construction of new settling basin. Reclamation and AGFD have been cooperatively upgrading this facility since 1998. Pond renovation work will be initiated so to expand rearing capacity and develop research capability.